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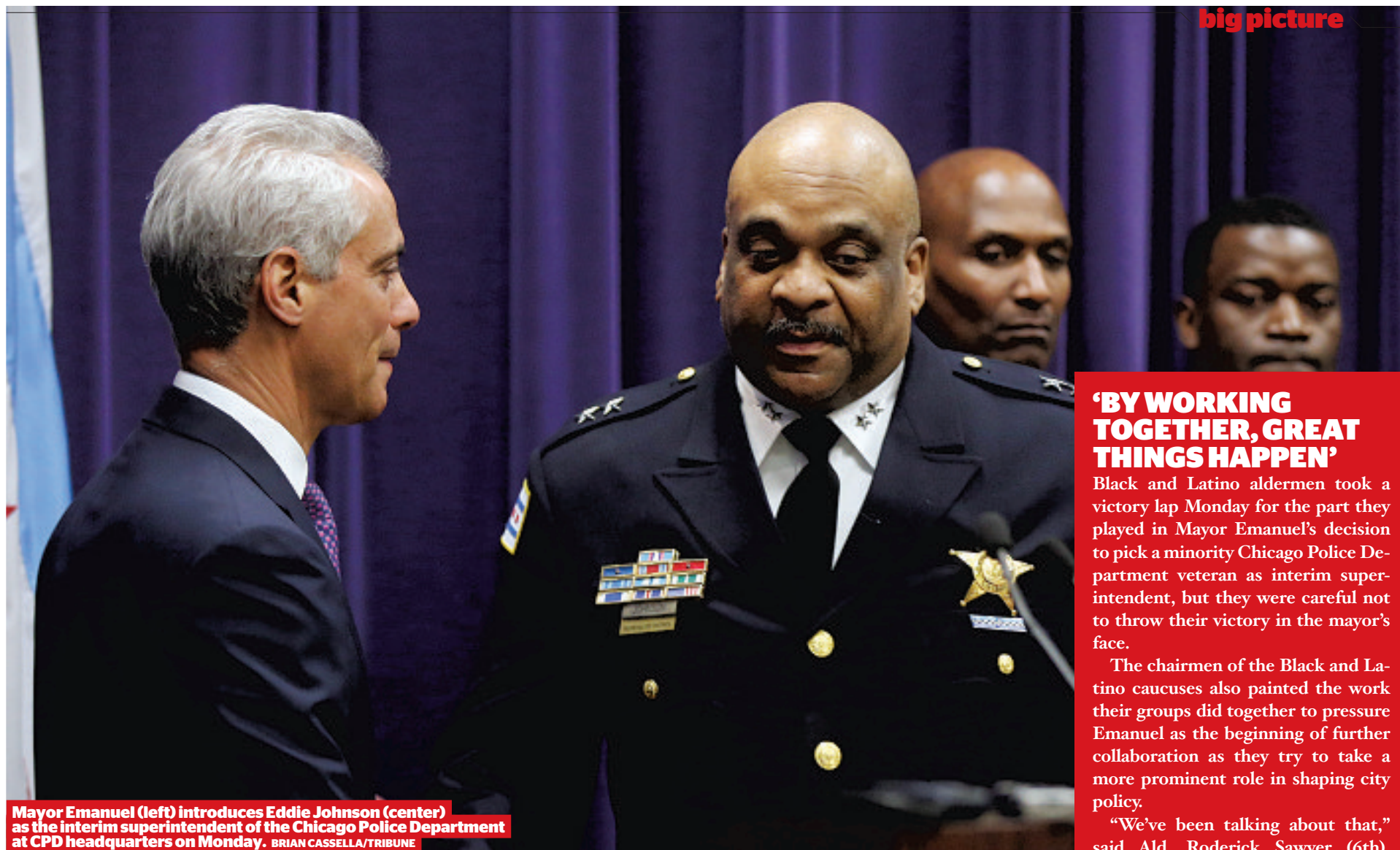
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Mayor Emanuel (left) introduces Eddie Johnson (center) as the interim superintendent of the Chicago Police Department at CPD headquarters on Monday. BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE

'RESTORE TRUST & RESTORE PRIDE'

EMANUEL INTRODUCES CITY'S NEW INTERIM POLICE SUPERINTENDENT, EDDIE JOHNSON

By John Byrne
and Bill Ruthhart | CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mayor Emanuel formally introduced veteran Chicago cop Eddie Johnson as the new interim police superintendent Monday, saying Johnson will "restore trust and restore pride" in the embattled department.

"He has the command, the character and the capability to lead the department at this juncture," Emanuel told reporters at a news conference at police headquarters.

Johnson, a 27-year officer who worked his way up from beat cop to chief of patrol, said he wanted to focus his remarks around one word: "trust." Johnson cited the importance of trust between officers and residents, police rank and file and command staff, and

among police officers themselves, who must both watch each other's backs and ensure they're living up to ethical standards.

"I know that trust won't be restored overnight. It has to be earned every day" in both routine and high-pressure situations, Johnson said.

As for police misconduct, Johnson said, "We have to own it and we have to end it."

Emanuel appointed Johnson interim superintendent after rejecting the three finalists his hand-picked Police Board sent him. A national search was conducted after the mayor fired then-Superintendent Garry McCarthy in early December in the aftermath of the Laquan McDonald police shooting video release that led to weeks of protests against

Chicago police's use of force.

"He will have their backs when they do their job well and hold them accountable when they do not," Emanuel said of Johnson.

Technically, the Police Board has to do another search and forward names to Emanuel. The mayor said he is encouraging Johnson to apply this time. Johnson, who said he didn't apply last time because interim Superintendent John Escalante was going for the job, indicated he will apply this time.

That's a strong indicator Johnson will be among the new finalists and get the job permanently. When pressed, however, Emanuel left open the possibility of naming someone other than Johnson to the job of Chicago top cop permanently.

'BY WORKING TOGETHER, GREAT THINGS HAPPEN'

Black and Latino aldermen took a victory lap Monday for the part they played in Mayor Emanuel's decision to pick a minority Chicago Police Department veteran as interim superintendent, but they were careful not to throw their victory in the mayor's face.

The chairmen of the Black and Latino caucuses also painted the work their groups did together to pressure Emanuel as the beginning of further collaboration as they try to take a more prominent role in shaping city policy.

"We've been talking about that," said Ald. Roderick Sawyer (6th), Black Caucus chairman, "and really what the gist of this is about is the Latino Caucus, the Black Caucus are continuing to work together toward transformative change in the city of Chicago. Let's be quite honest here. The city is comprised of a majority of black and Latino members. We're the majority. Between the two of us, our two caucuses are the majority on the City Council."

"By working together, great things happen, and I think Eddie Johnson's a product of that," added Ald. George Cardenas (12th), Latino Caucus chairman. "When you have African-Americans and Hispanics working together and the mayor taking that advice and fleshing that out of the best candidate, how can we not support that? How can we not, jointly, in communities that are beset by problems and also by the rank and file being in low morale, how can we not join together in that decision that benefits everyone in this city?"

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TRANSIT DIARIES

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When you're having a day that's stressful and unpleasant, it's always an added bummer when you load a CTA bus or train with an operator who has a bad attitude. For me, even a little bit of quality customer service can go a long way on the days that have me wishing I could crawl under a rock.

But I've been reminded recently that there ARE people who will go out of their way to put a smile on your face whether they know you or not.

Described by one of her riders as "the world's best bus driver," Darlene Coleman, a 48-year-old CTA bus operator of eight years, is the epitome of excellent customer service.

Though I've not been lucky enough to catch a bus she's been driving, a 10-minute phone interview with her left me in the highest spirits and with a smile on my face from ear to ear. Yeah, she's that awesome.

Tim Brooks, a 35-year-old Pilsen resident, wrote to me in an email about the first time he met Coleman and the lasting impact it had on him.

"Mid to late autumn of last year, I caught the 18 bus home with one of my coworkers. When you get on the bus and you see a woman with a platinum blonde mohawk and brightly made up eyes smiling back at you, you remember," Brooks wrote.

"How are you doing today, baby?"
"Pretty good. Just on my way home."
"Alright, that's awesome. Hang on tight. Here we go!"

"I turned to my coworker. 'Oh, she's fantastic,' I remarked. And she didn't even know me. On my short commute home, I watched as she picked up regulars, strangers, and treated them all as if it was her party and she was driving the bus," Brooks wrote.

Coleman said she loves being a bus operator and sees every day as a new adventure.

When asked what drives her to deliver such great customer service, she said that she just wants to give people a reason to be happy every time they get on her bus.

"I bring you who I am every day to work—and I'm a people person," Coleman said. "I want to provide a caring, loving, positive environment for my passengers by always giving them my best self. Making their day makes MY day."

"I always tell my passengers that they're the greatest passengers ever because they really are," she added. "No matter who they are, I have love for them."

CTA spokesman Jeff Tolman said Coleman has been commended for her service on several occasions based on customer feedback about her helpfulness, professionalism and polite, friendly demeanor.

Coleman seemed to have a fix for both operators and passengers who may not be as outwardly friendly as they should be.

"It's like feeding the honey with honey. If you're nice to passengers, they can't do anything but be nice to you," Coleman said with a laugh. "I can guarantee that if someone's having a bad day, they can't ride my bus without getting cheered up."

So where can you find Coleman? You can catch her driving the No. 18-16th-18th bus on Saturdays and Sundays. During the week, you may find her driving the No. 126-Jackson, No. 143-Stockton/Michigan Express or the No. 151-Sheridan bus. And from what I can tell, when you meet her, you'll know.

"There are so many ways that people you see in passing can often be overlooked, but the memorable ones make it a point to make you take notice," Brooks wrote. "Often, it is their kindness that I appreciate, and even if it's a small interaction in an otherwise uneventful day, [Darlene's] presence gives validity and meaning to a nice ten minute snippet, bookending the day of every passenger she greets—always with a smile."

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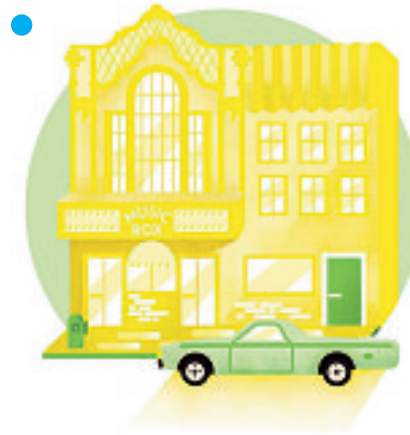
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» **Left:** The Wrigley building has always fascinated me. Aesthetically, it's unlike any other building in the city, yet it draws a close parallel to its Art Deco counterparts. As a child who grew up on Batman, The Animated Series, and had an imagination that would run wild, I would always picture it as the headquarters for Wayne Enterprises. Fun fact—it was the first office building in Chicago with air conditioning.

» **Right:** The 70mm film festival, an around the clock horror film marathon, and rich architecture transporting it's viewers to another age—the @musicboxchicago is easily one of my favorite, and the most unique, theaters in the city.



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» **Top:** Keefe Jackson was a 5 year old kid when he discovered a love for a compilation of songs by Louis Armstrong from a record his parents had laying around the house. During this time, his encouraging parents would bring him to music festivals during the summer in his hometown of Fayetteville, Arkansas. It was there he was introduced to beloved Chicago jazz drummer Rusty Jones. 4 long years would pass before Keefe picked up the Saxophone.

» **Bottom:** "I had no idea what to expect when I came to Chicago.. It was actually quite easy to meet people that were my age that were already interested in playing and working on original music..." "All the people I met when I arrived.. I actually still play with almost all of them which is pretty amazing when you think about it." Keefe Jackson on his first days in Chicago's jazz community back in 2002.



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Mike Killion ●

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» **Top:** Started my day out at Wilson Skatepark. 6 knee surgeries won't stop Dan Morgan, 46, from getting out to skate when it's 46 degrees in January.

» **Bottom:** If there's one thing I love about the people of Chicago, it's their ability to make the most of our weather. Already channeling summer vibes, Susan Schmidt takes advantage of the warm temps for a few games of volleyball with her friends.



Michelle Kanaar ●

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» **Left:** Janine Garrison has been working this route (in Brighton Park) for 11 years. She loves the customers and she feels safe, but she says, "the one thing about this neighborhood is there's a lot of drugs. It even comes in the mail."

» **Right:** This is Terra Kapot, self-proclaimed last Pole in Brighton Park. "Around here you can't show you're a nice person," she says, "you have to have a resting bitch face."

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Now let’s talk about hockey. Chicago came in at a lowly No. 9 in the Top 10 best cities for professional hockey, according to WalletHub. With our Blackhawks sporting three Stanley Cups over the past six seasons, we know that’s a lie.

There really are a lot of areas where Chicago deserves its ranking at the bottom of the barrel. But hockey is one of the few areas where we have consistently risen to the top.

But it takes more than a good sports team to keep people from moving away.

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Now let’s talk about hockey. Chicago came in at a lowly No. 9 in the Top 10 best cities for professional hockey, according to WalletHub. With our Blackhawks sporting three Stanley Cups over the past six seasons, we know that’s a lie.

There really are a lot of areas where Chicago deserves its ranking at the bottom of the barrel. But hockey is one of the few areas where we have consistently risen to the top.

But it takes more than a good sports team to keep people from moving away.

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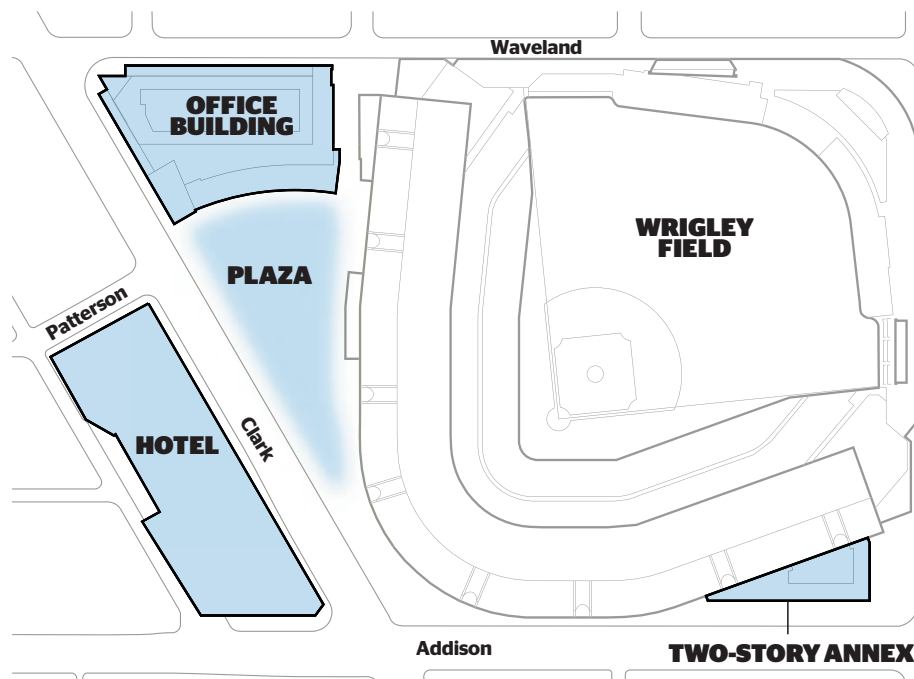
Into the stretch

MEET THE 3 BUILDINGS THAT WILL BE WRIGLEY FIELD'S NEW NEIGHBORS

By Chad Yoder | CHICAGO TRIBUNE

In 2014, the Cubs announced a multiphase plan to update and rehabilitate Wrigley Field. Improvements have been made to the out-field bleachers and the Cubs home clubhouse, but a lot of work remains in and around the ballpark.

In addition to the massive amounts of work being done to Wrigley itself, the Cubs and the Ricketts family are planning three more structures around the ballpark in coming years. Last year, construction began on the first of these buildings: the office and retail space at the north end of an open-air plaza on the site of the former triangle parking lot. Work recently started on the second building, a boutique hotel, with the demolition of the McDonald's on the opposite side of Clark Street. The third building, a two-story annex that will be attached to the ballpark itself, is scheduled to be completed in 2018.



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Office building and plaza

Work will continue during the 2016 season on the new office building and plaza located in the old triangle parking lot, as well as a new western entrance to the ballpark.

According to the Cubs, the open-air plaza is intended to be enjoyed by the community year-round. Suggested uses have included hosting an ice rink in the winter, farmers markets in the summer and outdoor music events.

In January, Ald. Tom Tunney (44th) introduced a proposal to set rules for the outdoor area, including ending events in the plaza at 9 p.m. on weekdays and 10 p.m. on weekends. The proposal also would allow beer and wine to be sold at the plaza, but alcohol sales would stop during games and concerts taking place inside Wrigley Field and would not resume until an hour after such events end. The Cubs have argued that the proposed time and alcohol rules are too restrictive.

The six-story office building at the north end of the plaza will house Cubs administrative offices and conference meeting spaces, as well as retail on the ground floor.

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Hotel

The Ricketts family plans to open a “premium neighborhood boutique” hotel on the north-west corner of Clark and Addison streets. The hotel will be affiliated with Starwood Hotels & Resorts, and will include 180 rooms, retail, and food and beverage options.

Updated renderings of the new hotel have not been made available. Construction is beginning this year.

Two-story annex

In a future phase of construction, a two-story annex would be built in the current location

of the Captain Morgan Club. The Cubs have described the annex as a retail and entertainment space, and suggested uses include a restaurant/bar, retail merchandise store and ticket office.

The rooftop of the annex will be connected to the terrace concourse inside the ballpark, creating a new terrace space that will include expanded concession areas and bathrooms.

This new area is expected to be ready for Opening Day 2018.

SOURCES: CHICAGO CUBS, TRIBUNE REPORTING, TRIBUNE FILE REPORTS

Wrigley Field work finished in 2015-16 offseason:

- » Cubs’ new 30,000-square-foot home clubhouse
- » Expansion of two restrooms
- » Temporary batting tunnels for Cubs and visitors
- » Permanent location of ticket office and guest services
- » Western facade of ballpark
- » Improvements to center-field bleachers, including the new Budweiser Bleacher Bar



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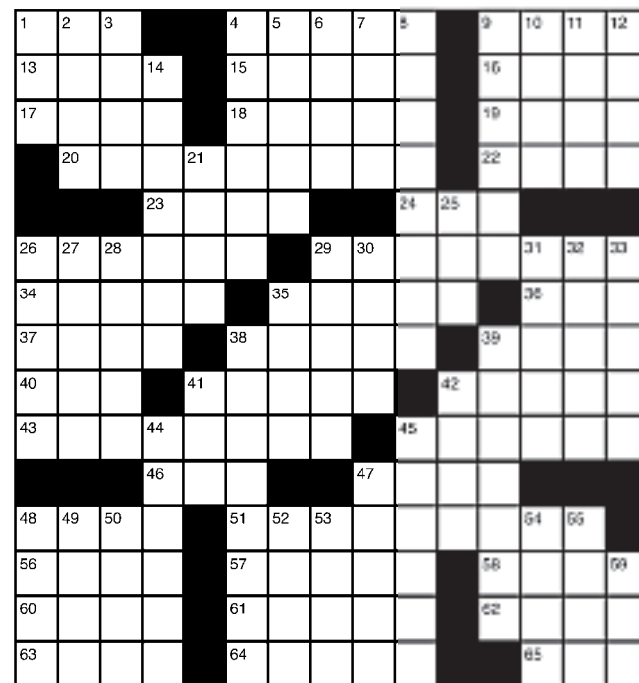


ACROSS

- 1 "What's up, _?" Bugs Bunny's line
- 4 Passion
- 9 Bridge
- 13 Hooting birds
- 15 Strainer
- 16 "I _ a Dream"; MLK speech
- 17 Make a tiny cut
- 18 Shoe bottoms
- 19 Primates
- 20 Flab around one's waist
- 22 Far-reaching
- 23 Brings home, after expenses
- 24 Mrs. in France
- 26 Plant pests
- 29 Large flower
- 34 Footwear
- 35 Barbie and Ken
- 36 Small number
- 37 _ polish; manicurist's bottle
- 38 Syrup flavor
- 39 Facts & figures
- 40 Curry letter
- 41 Part of MPH
- 42 _ B. DeMille
- 43 Didn't throw out
- 45 Gets clean
- 46 Lamb's cry
- 47 Gyro bread
- 48 _crazy; tired of confinement
- 51 Falling back into old habits
- 56 Hawaiian island
- 57 One banished
- 58 Lounge around
- 60 Clippety_
- 61 Two_ was unfaithful
- 62 Pierce
- 63 _ a secret; didn't blab
- 64 Asterisks
- 65 McMahon and Begley

DOWN

- 1 _ and don'ts; rules
- 2 Possesses
- 3 Cut hair
- 4 Valuables
- 5 Street uprisings
- 6 Sandwich shop
- 7 Take _; assume control



- 8 Look like
- 9 Uses a razor
- 10 Family member
- 11 Hail Marys, for short
- 12 Tree house?
- 14 Dog with long ears
- 21 Colors
- 25 Prefix for taken or guided
- 26 Portrayer of TV's Lou Grant
- 27 _ out; get rid of gradually
- 28 Lift with effort
- 29 Remained optimistic
- 30 Troubles
- 31 Team trainer
- 32 Loosen
- 33 Barking marine mammals
- 35 Valley
- 38 Mosque towers
- 39 Specifics
- 41 Actress Farrow
- 42 Tabbies and tigers
- 44 Sudden
- 45 Ostriches, kangaroos and humans
- 47 Not as ruddy
- 48 Punch
- 49 Story
- 50 Pancake house
- 52 Way out
- 53 _ beams
- 54 Short letter
- 55 Happy
- 59 Pounds, abbr.



BRAIN CANDY

- » "God's number" is the highest number of moves required to solve any mixed-up Rubik's Cube. Researchers have found that number to be 20, so any Rubik's Cube can be solved in 20 moves or fewer.
- » The Seabin is a bucket designed to suck up ocean trash.
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THE QUOTE
**"ALL THOSE
 PEOPLE WHO
 PUT PRESSURE
 ON US, YOU
 CAN GO [BLEEP]
 YOURSELVES,
 ALL RIGHT?"**

—Adele, to the audience while on stage at a concert in London, about the "ridiculous" pressure put on mothers to breast-feed. According to [ew.com](#), the topic had been in the news after celebrity chef Jamie Oliver told LBC Radio that Britain has a problem with women not breast-feeding. Adele said at her show that she could only breast-feed for about nine weeks, and added, "All I wanted to do was breast-feed my kid and then I felt like, 'If I was in the jungle right now back in the day, my kid would be dead because my milk's gone.'"



Late Nights with the baby

Seth Meyers is a dad. The host of "Late Night with Seth Meyers" and his wife, Alexi, welcomed their first child, a son, on Sunday, according to [people.com](#). Meyers tweeted on Monday morning, "Thank you, everyone for the kind words! Mom and baby are doing great!!!" We are just waiting for his entrance to the world of comedy and then we'll be set. Congrats to Seth and his wife.

THE QUOTE

"Aquaman is a character that is, you know, that a lot of people have made fun of over the years, and I just think it's fun to actually show a really different, cool, badass side to this character, but at the same time, let's not forget to have fun with it."

—"Aquaman" director James Wan, to IGN at WonderCon in L.A., on the tone of the upcoming film, which is set to come out July 27, 2018.



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'A nightmarish dream'

Janice Dickinson revealed on Monday that she has been diagnosed with breast cancer. The former supermodel said in a video on [DailyMail.com](#) that she feels like she's living "a nightmarish dream." She added, "I'm going to get through this. You betcha, kiddo. And I'll be just fine. ... This is not a pity party. I'm Janice Dickinson. I'm going to stick around for a long, long time."

Georgia governor vetoes anti-gay bill

After calls from Disney, Apple, Time Warner and others to reject a bill that would have legalized discrimination based on sexual orientation, Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal vetoed the bill on Monday. The "religious liberty" bill would have allowed faith-based organizations to deny service to or fire people who violate their "sincerely held religious beliefs," according to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. The bill "doesn't reflect the character of our state or the character of its people," Deal said, according to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, as reported by [ew.com](#). Marvel Studios, which uses Pinewood Studios outside of Atlanta to film movies such as "Captain America: Civil War" and the upcoming "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2," said in a statement last week that it would stop filming in Georgia if the bill was not rejected.

'Scrubs' reunion?!

Sorry to disappoint, but not that kind of "Scrubs" reunion. Over the Easter weekend, cast members of the show "Scrubs" got together. Christa B. Miller, who played Jordan on the show, posted a photo on Instagram of herself with Donald Faison (Turk, from left), Zach Braff (J.D.) and John C. McGinley (Dr. Cox). It would be a wonderful thing if they could, you know, get together on the screen again.

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